

Kindergarten Course Goals

- Bible:** In this course, students will learn to know the Bible through a thematic, chronological study of the Old and New Testaments. Teachers will guide students to trust God and to apply His principles in everyday life.
- Social Studies:** Students will develop an awareness of the many types of occupations that make up a community. Students will learn about America's history and people of other cultures. They will see how God directs in people's lives to accomplish His will.
- Language Arts:** Students will begin the year learning or reviewing the letter names and sounds for the vowels and consonants. They will then progress to reading blends and words. The students will apply comprehension and phonics skills as they read stories.
- Writing:** Students develop basic sentence structure through journal and creative writing.
- Mathematics:** Students will be able to identify 6 basic shapes and will be able to count and recognize numbers 1-100. Students will learn the concepts of patterning, telling time, and money. Students will also learn addition concepts through the sum of 10, and will be introduced to beginning subtraction concepts.
- Science:** Students will learn through observation and performing experiments the wonder of God's design in this world He has created. They will understand God's plan for the universe and their own lives. They will also begin to learn basic science concepts in physical science, life science and earth/space science.
- Computer:** Computer lab lessons are designed to teach students about the use of technology. Students will use a variety of applications throughout the year. Applications and topics of study include: *Microsoft Word*, *Paint*, computer awareness, internet safety, keyboarding, *ABC Mouse* and *Kid Pix*. In order to create the most effective learning environment for the students, lessons are integrated with classroom units to enhance learning in the core subject areas as well.
- Music:** Students will learn to praise God through music. Students will also memorize Bible verses, learn simple math concepts, develop coordination through music and movement, and learn biblical principles. Students will learn age appropriate music theory and be given opportunities to play classroom instruments. Students will be given the opportunity to participate in school wide programs.
- Physical Education:** In Physical education, students acquire the knowledge and skills for movement that provide the foundation for enjoyment, continued social development through physical activity, and access to a physically-active lifestyle. In grades K-2, students learn fundamental movement skills and begin to understand how the muscles, bones, heart and lungs function in relation to physical activity. Students are engaged in activities that develop basic levels of strength, endurance, and flexibility. In addition, students learn to work safely in group and individual movement settings.
- Spanish:** Students will learn the Spanish language via repetition. Each week, lessons will include Greeting and Roll Call, Circle Time, Story Time, Art Time, and Good-bye.

Circle Time consists of singing songs with motions, to learn conversational Spanish.
Story Time will allow students to connect to authentic Spanish.

Kindergarten Curriculum

Language Arts(A Beka):

Phonics and Reading

Recognition of name, sound, and picture of long and short vowels and consonants
Sounding of blends, one- and two-vowel words, and words with special sounds
Beginning phonics rules and special sounds
Reading of sentences and stories from books containing one- and two-vowel words and special sounds

Writing

Name, Letters, blends and words
Journal – sentences and creative writing

Language

Recognition of sentences by capital letters and punctuation

Science:

Five Senses
Fall
Seasons
Health and Nutrition
Space
Plants
Ocean
Farm Animals
Insects
Apples
Leaves
Pumpkins

Math (A Beka) :

Number recognition, counting, and writing 1–100
Number concepts 1–100
Numbers before and after 1–100
Numbers largest and smallest 1–100
Counting and writing by tens to 100
Counting and writing by fives to 100
Counting and writing by twos to 100
Number sequences by ones
Using number words 1–10 and first–tenth
Value of coins
Telling time
Using the calendar
Days of the week
Months of the year
Addition facts through 10
One-step story problems in addition
Beginning subtraction

Social Studies:

Texas
Community Helpers
Around the World
America: Our Great Country (map studies, famous Americans and places)
Native Americans and Pilgrims

Bible (BJUP):

Creation; the lives of Noah, Abraham, and Joseph; Moses through Jonah; the life of Christ; and Paul the missionary
Special units on prayer, missions, and Thanksgiving
Forty-eight verses committed to memory

Spanish (Sonrisas Spanish):

Conversational Spanish via songs
Basic vocabulary and phrases
Children's Spanish literature